

Cove in Bloom

Scotland · Charity number SC049414

Details

Known as	Cove & Altens in Bloom
Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2019-06-27
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address
South Loirston
Cove
Aberdeen
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Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of education', 'the advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science', 'the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended', 'the advancement of environmental protection or improvement'

What the charity does: Cove in Bloom work to improve and enhance the area of Cove & Altens. We aim to make this an attractive and enjoyable place to live as well as celebrating the history of the area. The three historical industries are farming, largely in the Altens area. fishing, based in the old fishing village beside Cove Harbour. and quarrying, on the hillside above the harbour. In addition to the floral enhancements, we've added various displays to commemorate these industries, horse drawn ploughs and other implements for farming, standing heritage stones for quarrying, and a sculpture based around Isie Caie, who was the last fishwife in Cove, for the fishing industry. Further, we have a reminder of our more recent heritage by way of the oil industry ornaments at the community garden on Cove Road. We look after numerous beds, planters and other areas.

Beneficiaries: 'No specific group, or for the benefit of the community'

Objectives: The organisation's purposes are: The enhancement of public areas and areas to which the public have access within the community of Cove and Altens and its surrounding area and the advancement of environmental improvement, and in furtherance of this. To preserve the heritage of the area for the public benefit in the community of Cove and Altens. To educate and assist in horticultural activities and assist in improvement of the surroundings. To encourage the use by the public and management of these areas for the public benefit To work in partnership with other bodies to further these purposes.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Aberdeenshire
- **Geographical spread:** A specific local point, community or neighbourhood

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£3,513	£3,916	-	0
2024-07-31	£1,641	£2,071	-	0
2023-07-31	£3,223	£5,177	-	0
2022-07-31	£4,412	£7,705	-	0
2021-07-31	£3,609	£1,066	-	0

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Accounts

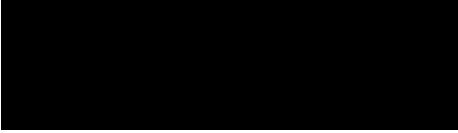
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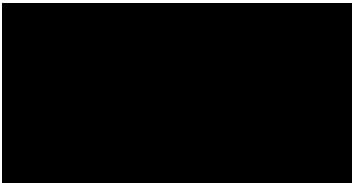
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Trustees:

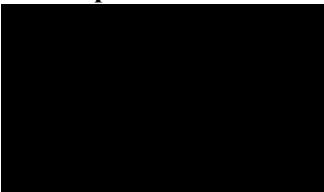


Principal Office:



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Independent Examiner:



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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The trustees present their annual report and accounts for the year ended 31st July 2025

Structure, governance, and management

Cove in Bloom became a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 27th June 2019 with members who elect up to 10 Trustees who manage the affairs of the society. The society is governed by its Constitution.

Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting and hold office for a period of one year.

Objectives and activities

The objective of the Organisation is the enhancement of public areas and areas to which the public have access within the community of Cove and Altens and its surrounding area and the advancement of environmental improvement, and in furtherance of this to preserve the heritage of the area for the public benefit in the community of Cove and Altens; to educate and assist in horticultural activities and assist in improvement of the surroundings; to encourage the use by the public and management of these areas for the public benefit; to work in partnership with other bodies to further these purposes.

Achievements and performance

A summary of the Organisation's main achievements during the financial period is as follows:

- Maintaining and planting up the flower beds and planters within the area of Cove and Altens
- Encouraging residents of Cove and Altens to become involved with gardening in all its aspects
- Replacing 2 more worn timber hexagonal planters with new recycled plastic alternatives.
- Working with Cove Woodland Trust to maintain the Cove Community Woodland, in particular, the two gardens there.

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Financial review

Policy on reserves

The Organisation holds sufficient in reserve to fund the purchase of the following years summer bedding (circa £500) plus running costs for 3 – 6 months as a contingency. It is intended that this be the minimum reserves held. All the reserves are unrestricted.

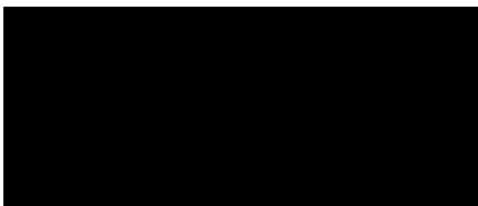
Surplus/deficit during the year

The Society made a loss of £403 mainly due to the spending of funding received during the previous financial year. Funding from our regular sponsors was sought this year and we are pleased to report that most of our past sponsors have again supported us.

Donated facilities and services

Meeting rooms are provided free of charge at South Loirston. Sponsorships, and donations (including supplies such as paper and plants) are provided by local businesses and individuals.

On behalf of the Trustees:



Date: 31st January 2026

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ROYAL
HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY OF ABERDEEN**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st July 2025 which are set out in page 6.

This report is made to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with the terms of the engagement. My work has been undertaken to enable me to undertake an independent examination of the charity's accounts on behalf of the trustees and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under Section 44 (1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

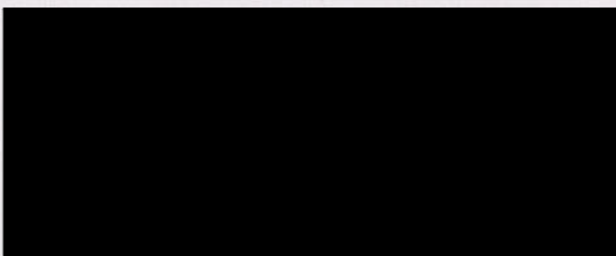
Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44 (1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

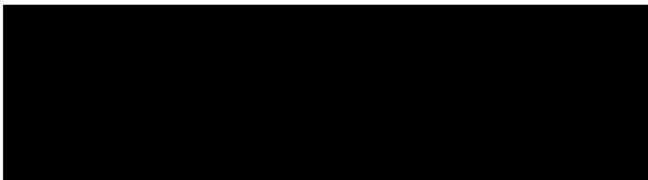
RECEIPTS	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Plants	-	414
Supplies	-	-
Donations	538	-
Special funding	2,975	1,182
Overheads	-	110
TOTAL RECEIPTS	3,513	1,706
PAYMENTS		
Plants	543	592
Supplies	170	216
Events		
Special funding	2,978	1,038
Overheads	225	225
TOTAL PAYMENTS	3,916	2,071
PROFIT (DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	<u>- 403</u>	<u>- 365</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 JULY 2025

CURRENT ASSETS

Co-operative Bank Charities Account	2,783	3,155
Cash in hand	18	47
	<u>2,801</u>	<u>3,202</u>

Approved on behalf of all trustees



Date: 31st January 2026